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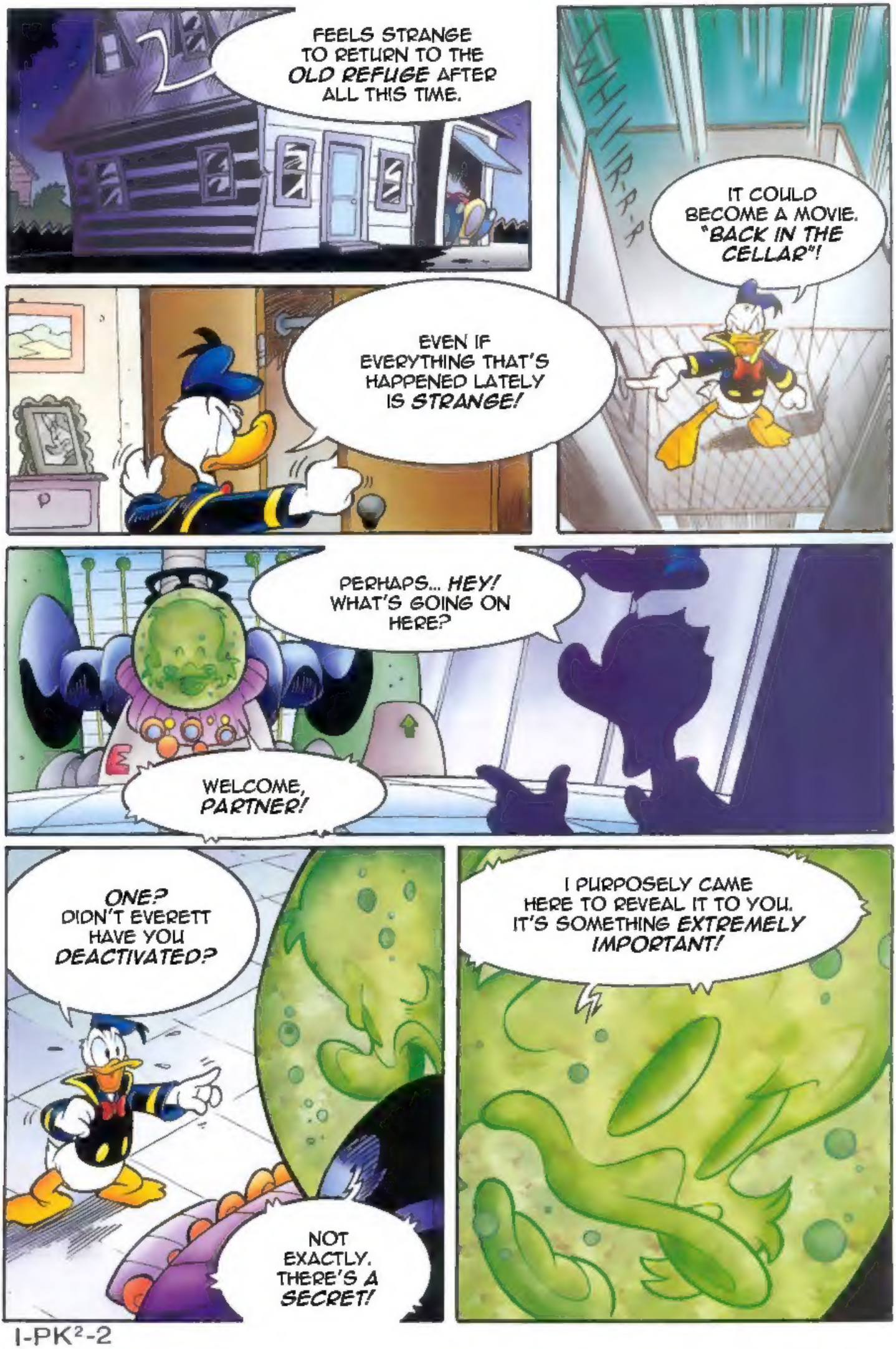
FEELS STRANGE TO RETURN TO THE OLD REFUGE AFTER ALL THIS TIME.
WHIR-R-R-P
IT COULD BECOME A MOVIE. "BACK IN THE CELLAR"!
EVEN IF EVERYTHING THAT'S HAPPENED LATELY IS STRANGE!
PERHAPS... HEY! WHAT'S GOING ON HERE?
WELCOME, PARTNER!
ONE? DIDN'T EVERETT HAVE YOU DEACTIVATED?
NOT EXACTLY. THERE'S A SECRET!
I PURPOSELY CAME HERE TO REVEAL IT TO YOU. IT'S SOMETHING EXTREMELY IMPORTANT!

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YOU NEED TO KNOW THAT...
BLEET BLEET-BLEET
AN ALARM? RIGHT NOW?
WAIT, ONE! I CAN'T HEAR ANYTHING! I HAVE TO TURN IT OFF!
BLEET
BLEET
BLEET
I HAVE TO FIND THE CONTROL PANEL. BUT WHERE IS IT?
BLEET BLEET
WHERE IS IT? WHERE IS IT?
HERE, UNCA DONALD. THE ALARM CLOCK IS HERE!
BLEET- BLEET BLEET

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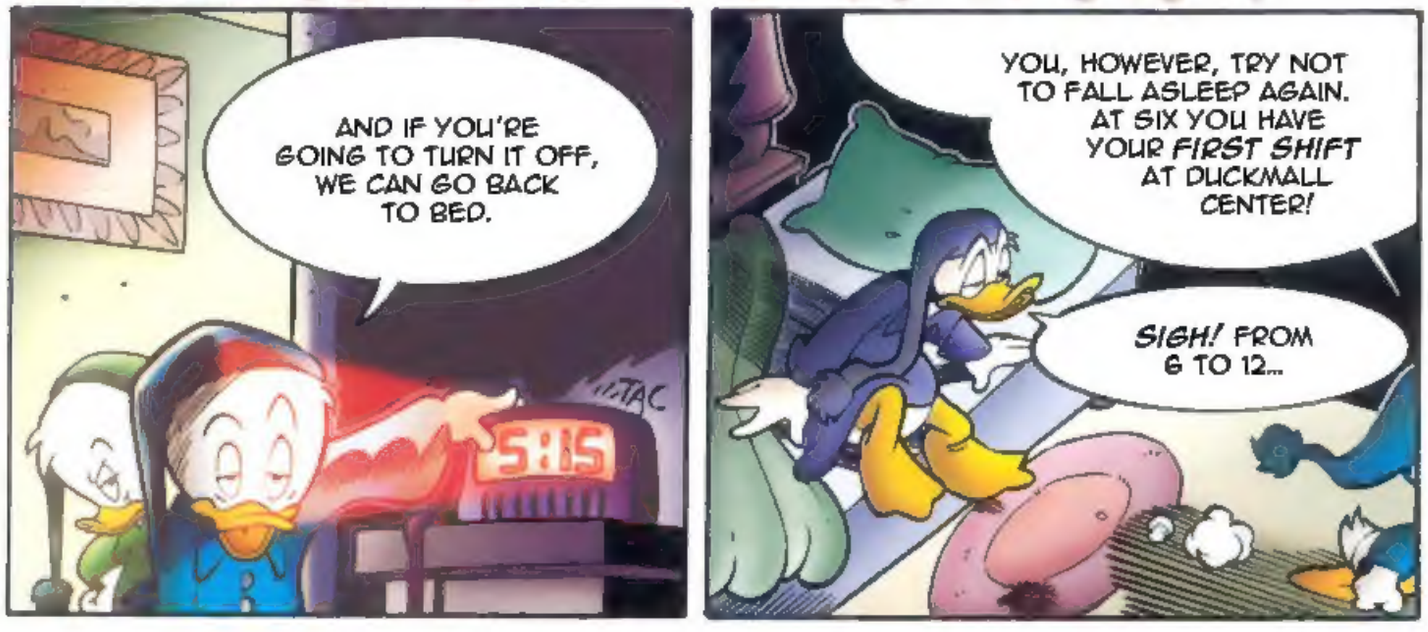
AND IF YOU'RE GOING TO TURN IT OFF, WE CAN GO BACK TO BED.
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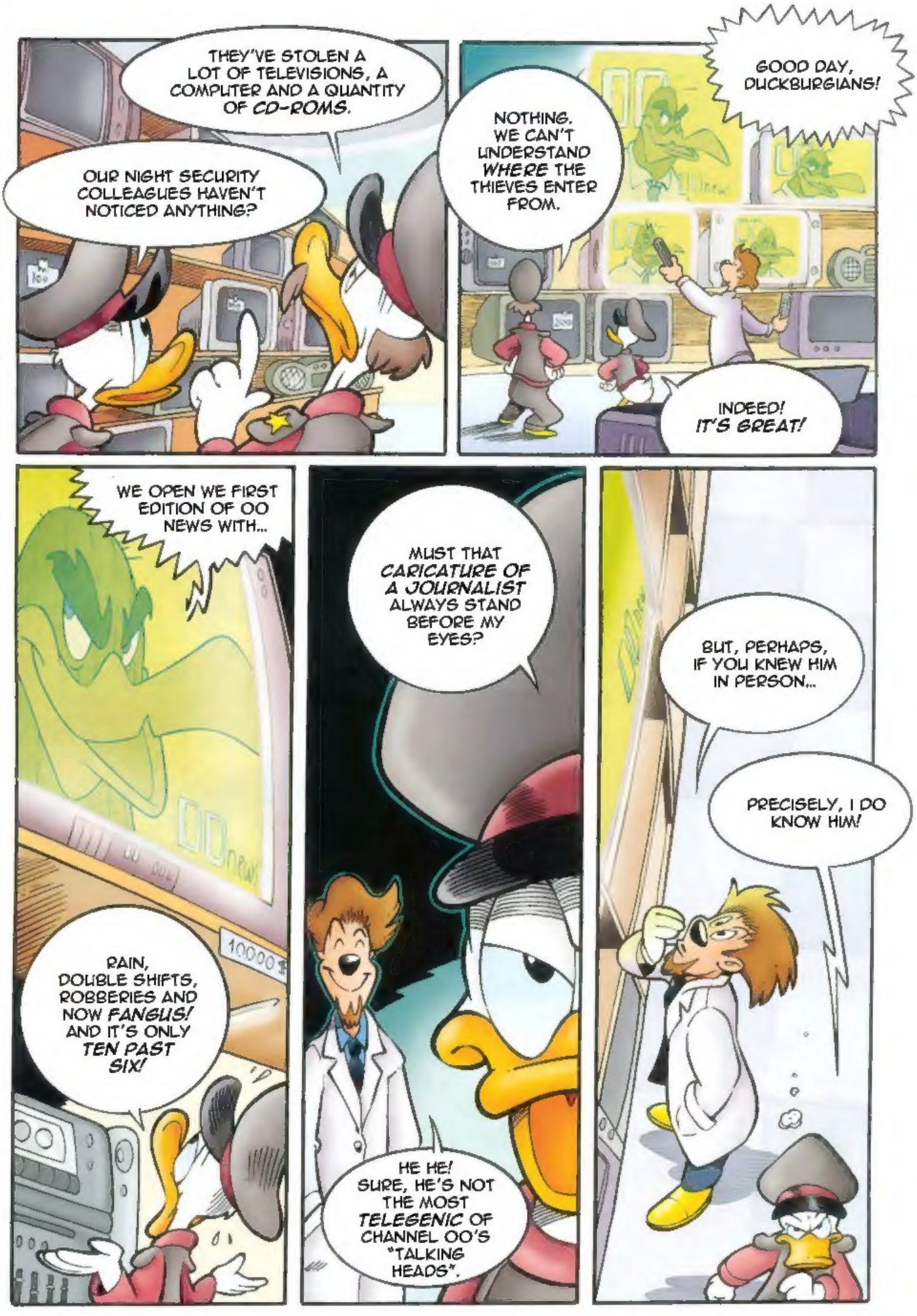
YOU, HOWEVER, TRY NOT TO FALL ASLEEP AGAIN. AT SIX YOU HAVE YOUR FIRST SHIFT AT DUCKMALL CENTER!
SIGH! FROM 6 TO 12...

AND IT'S POURING OUTSIDE!
HEY! THIS ONE'S WAKING UP!
HOW DO YOU FEEL?
I CAN'T... I CAN'T SEE WELL. WHO ARE YOU?
MY NAME'S HOBEY, I LIVE DOWN HERE. AND YOU, WHAT'S YOUR NAME?
HUH? I...

ABOUT TIME YOU GOT HERE!
DUCK MALL CENTER
ENTRANCE RESTRICTED TO PERSONELL
WHAT ARE YOU DOING HERE, TEMPEST? YOUR SHIFT'S NOT UNTIL AFTERNOON.
I HAVE GOOD NEWS TO START THE DAY. FROM TODAY THE SHIFTS ARE DOUBLED!
WHAT? WHY?
THERE'S BEEN A RAID, SONNY! WE HAVEN'T MADE A GOOD IMPRESSION!
A ROBBERY?
A SERIES OF ROBBERIES! WE'RE GOING TO DO AN INSPECTION!
THE ELECTRONICS, TV & HI-FI DEPARTMENT HAS BEEN HIT THE MOST.


THEY'VE STOLEN A LOT OF TELEVISIONS, A COMPUTER AND A QUANTITY OF CD-ROMS.
OUR NIGHT SECURITY COLLEAGUES HAVEN'T NOTICED ANYTHING?
NOTHING. WE CAN'T UNDERSTAND WHERE THE THIEVES ENTER FROM.
GOOD DAY, DUCKBURGIANS!
INDEED! IT'S GREAT!
WE OPEN WE FIRST EDITION OF OO NEWS WITH...
RAIN, DOUBLE SHIFTS, ROBBERIES AND NOW FANGUS! AND IT'S ONLY TEN PAST SIX!
MUST THAT CARICATURE OF A JOURNALIST ALWAYS STAND BEFORE MY EYES?
HE HE! SURE, HE'S NOT THE MOST TELEGENIC OF CHANNEL OO'S "TALKING HEADS".
BUT, PERHAPS, IF YOU KNEW HIM IN PERSON...
PRECISELY, I DO KNOW HIM!

... BUT THE NEWS OF THE DAY REMAINS THE RETURN OF DUCKLAIR ENTERPRISE TO THE ECONOMIC SCENE!
WE'LL GIVE YOU MORE ON THAT IN THE 12 O'CLOCK NEWS! THAT'S ALL FOR NOW!
GOING TO SIGNATURE TUNE!
I SHOULD HAVE SAID "MORE INFORMATION AT 12... AT LEAST I HOPE SO"! HERE'S DUCKLAIR ENTERPRISE AGAIN. STOP!
NO DETAILS! WHERE'S THE NEWS?
THE FACT THAT IT STILL EXISTS! MAYBE THERE WERE SOME WHO MISSED IT...
BUT WE STILL DON'T KNOW ANYTHING MORE.
EVERETT DUCKLAIR CAN'T BE REACHED AND HIS EMPLOYEES ARE ORDERED TO MAINTAIN ABSOLUTE SECRECY.
AT LEAST UNTIL THE DAY OF THE PRESENTATION PRESS CONFERENCE.

WE'VE TRIED TO UNCOVER SOMETHING, BUT IT'S IMPOSSIBLE...
TSK! FOR YOU GREEN-HORNS!
IT'S TIME FOR AN OLD MEDIA HOUND TO GO LOOKING FOR SOME JUICY LEAK.
BRAVO. I'LL LET THOSE PULITZER PRIZE GUYS KNOW.
MOREOVER, I ONLY NEED TO GO A FEW FLOORS UP TO GET TO THE SOURCE! GYEH GYEH!
I WONDER IF I CAN PUT THE ELEVATOR RIDE ON THE EXPENSE REPORT?
BUT...
I'M REALLY SORRY, BUT FOR THIS KIND OF INFORMATION YOU NEED TO SPEAK WITH OUR PRESS OFFICE!
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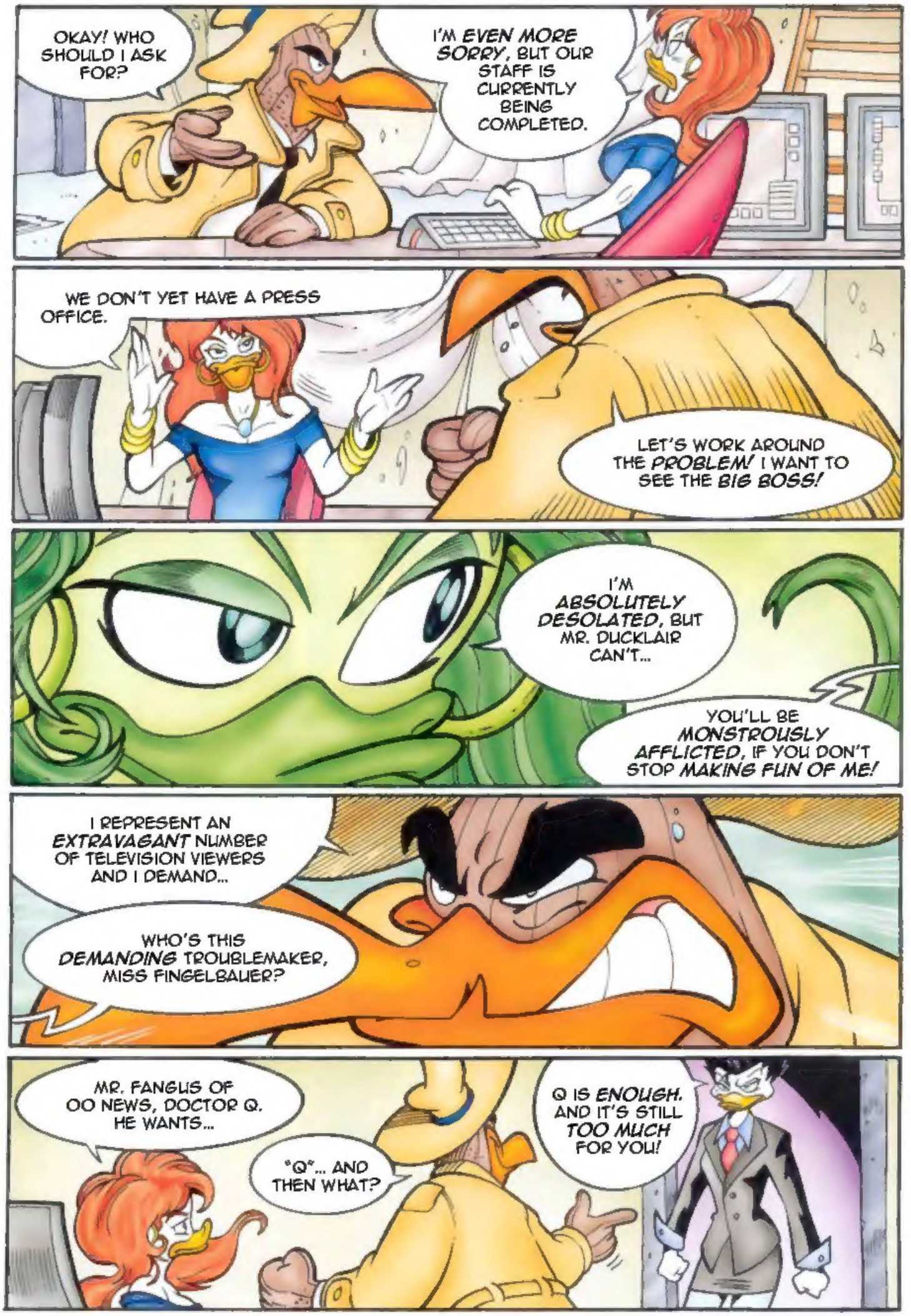
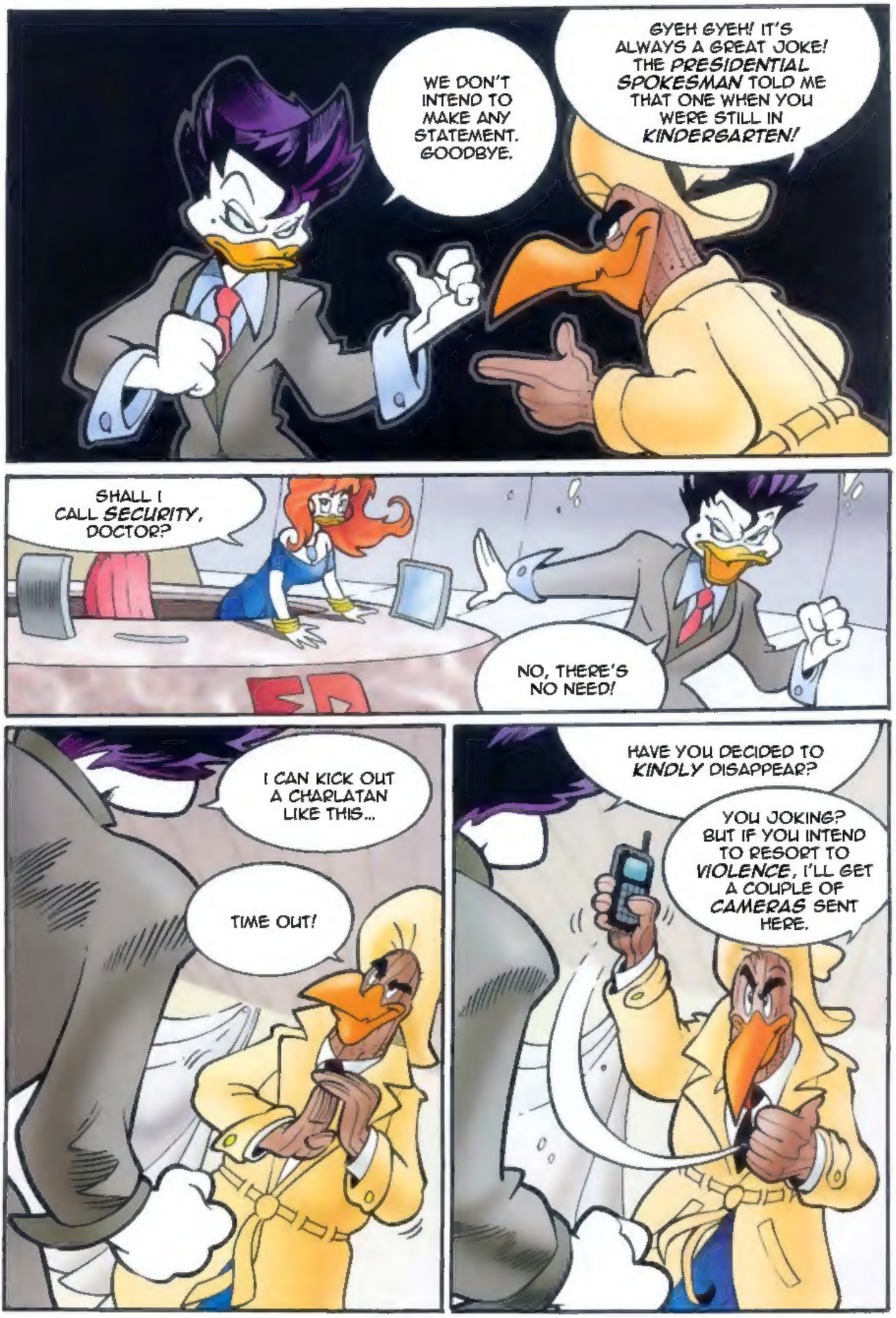
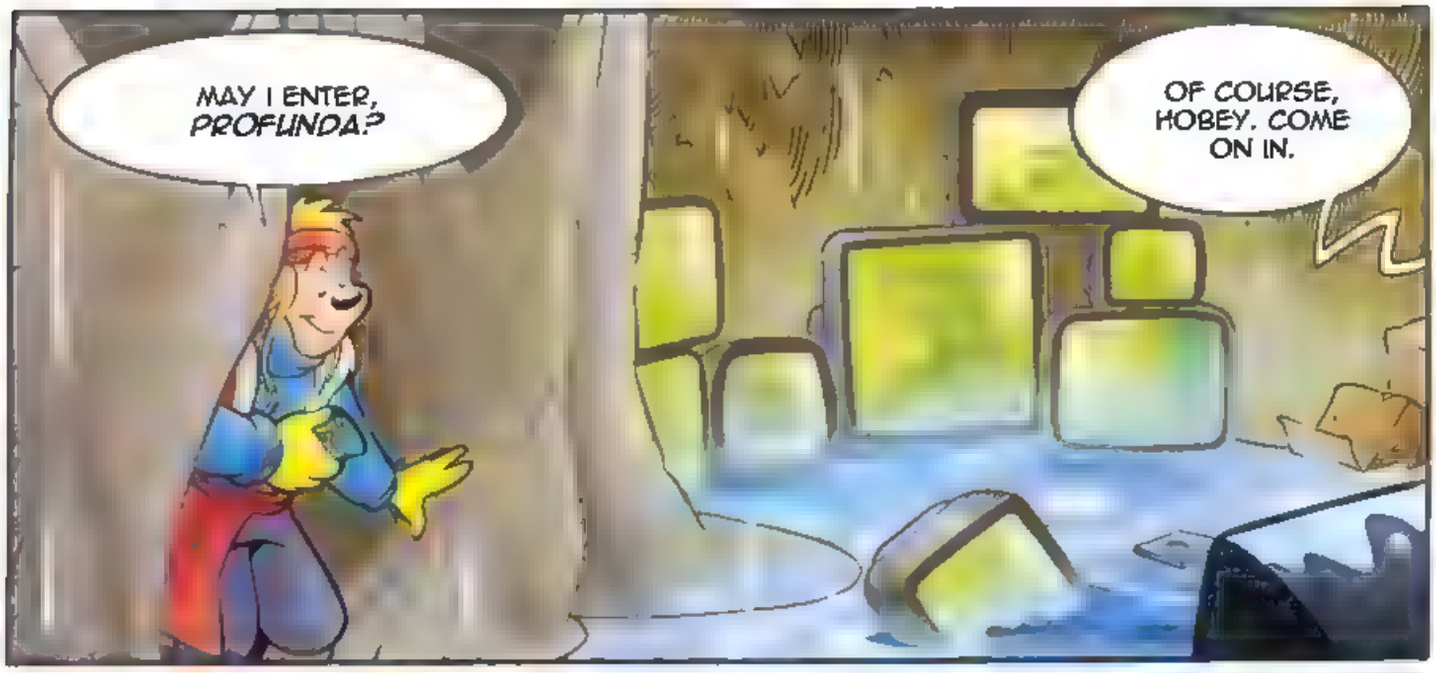

OKAY! WHO SHOULD I ASK FOR?
I'M EVEN MORE SORRY, BUT OUR STAFF IS CURRENTLY BEING COMPLETED.
WE DON'T YET HAVE A PRESS OFFICE.
LET'S WORK AROUND THE PROBLEM! I WANT TO SEE THE BIG BOSS!
I'M ABSOLUTELY DESOLATED, BUT MR. DUCKLAIR CAN'T...
YOU'LL BE MONSTROUSLY AFFLICTED, IF YOU DON'T STOP MAKING FUN OF ME!
I REPRESENT AN EXTRAVAGANT NUMBER OF TELEVISION VIEWERS AND I DEMAND...
WHO'S THIS DEMANDING TROUBLEMAKER, MISS FINGELBAUER?
MR. FANGUS OF OO NEWS, DOCTOR Q. HE WANTS...
"Q"... AND THEN WHAT?
Q IS ENOUGH. AND IT'S STILL TOO MUCH FOR YOU!


WE DON'T INTEND TO MAKE ANY STATEMENT. GOODBYE.
GYEH GYEH! IT'S ALWAYS A GREAT JOKE! THE PRESIDENTIAL SPOKESMAN TOLD ME THAT ONE WHEN YOU WERE STILL IN KINDERGARTEN!
SHALL I CALL SECURITY, DOCTOR?
NO, THERE'S NO NEED!
I CAN KICK OUT A CHARLATAN LIKE THIS...
TIME OUT!
HAVE YOU DECIDED TO KINDLY DISAPPEAR?
YOU JOKING? BUT IF YOU INTEND TO RESORT TO VIOLENCE, I'LL GET A COUPLE OF CAMERAS SENT HERE.

ENOUGH! HAVE YOU NEVER HEARD OF THE RIGHT TO PRIVACY?
WHY NOT? IT'S WHAT RUNS INTO HIDING WHEN IT SEES THE DUTY TO REPORT ARRIVING.
I CAME UP HERE WITH SACK OF QUESTIONS AND YOU'LL DO WELL TO GET ME A CONTAINER OF ANSWERS, IF YOU DON'T WANT ME TO...
YOU WIN! I SURRENDER...
THE VOICE OF REASON! THEN EXPLAIN TO ME...
WAIT. I'M NOT PREPARED ENOUGH TO CONFRONT A REPORTER SO SKILLED AND DEMANDING.
BUT ANYMORE BORING IS ONE OF OUR TOP SENIOR EXECUTIVES AND CAN TELL YOU EVERYTHING YOU WANT TO KNOW!
... GOOD DAY...
FINALLY! WHO WOULD YOU BE, THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE? A VICE-PRESIDENT?
... OH, I'M FLATTERED...
I DIDN'T DO IT ON PURPOSE! WELL THEN, YOUR QUALIFICATION?
... IT'S NOT THAT EASY. YOU COULD CALL ME... UM...

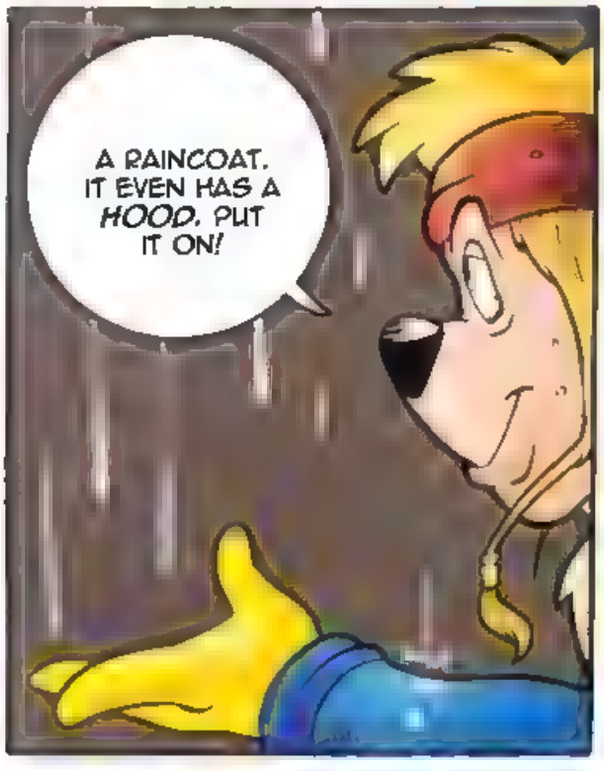
FORGET IT! FOR WHAT REASON, AFTER ALL THESE YEARS, HAS DUCKLAIR ENTERPRISE...
... I UNDERSTAND YOUR INTEREST. BUT WE MUST FIRST AGREE ON WHAT YOU MEAN BY "REASON", BECAUSE...
OO NEWS, MIDDAY EDITION...
DESPITE ALL MY COURTEOUS, THOUGH FIRM ATTEMPTS, I HAVEN'T OBTAINED ANY ANSWERS, FRIENDS.
A FAN
WHICH BEGS THE QUESTION OF WHAT THE DUCKLAIR BUSINESSES ARE HIDING BEHIND SO MUCH MYSTERY. THE NORMAL STRATEGY OF A GREAT COMPANY...
... OR SOMETHING FAR MORE SINISTER? DON'T FORGET WHO'S IN CHARGE OF THE REVIVED COLOSSUS.
TOP
HI HI! IT'S NICE TO SEE HIM PICK ON SOMEONE ELSE!
EVERETT DUCKLAIR! WHERE HAS HE BEEN HIDING IN RECENT YEARS?
WHY IS HE BACK? WHAT SECRET THREATS HAS HE BROUGHT WITH HIM?
WHAT, OR... WHO?

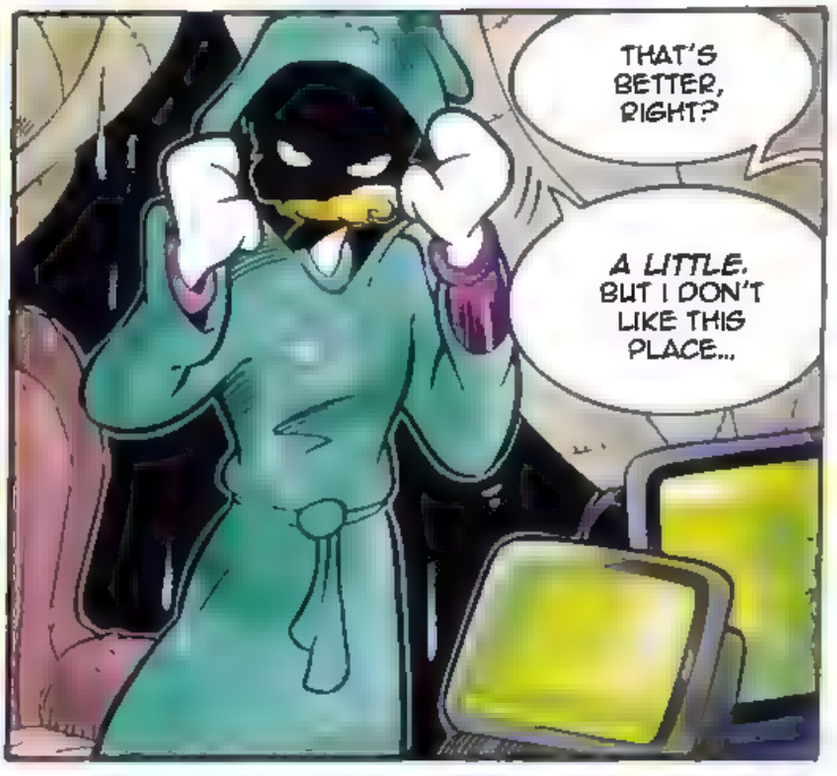

MAY I ENTER, PROFUNDA?
OF COURSE, HOBEY. COME ON IN.

ME AND MY MATES WANTED TO KNOW IF YOU'RE FEELING BETTER.
YES, THANK YOU. EVEN IF MY SIGHT'S STILL A BIT BLURRY.

BUT IT'S SO HUMID HERE. THE CELLING'S DRIPPING.
WE'RE UNDER A CLASSIFICATION YARD FOR LARGE PIPES. WE'RE USED TO IT.

BUT WE THOUGHT IT MIGHT BOTHER YOU. SO WE GOT YOU THIS.
WHAT IS IT?


A RAINCOAT. IT EVEN HAS A HOOD. PUT IT ON!


THAT'S BETTER, RIGHT?
A LITTLE. BUT I DON'T LIKE THIS PLACE...

I UNDERSTAND. TO TELL YOU THE TRUTH, WE DON'T LIKE IT MUCH EITHER!
THE SURFACE IS BETTER, YOU KNOW? IF YOU COULD SEE IT...
I'VE ALREADY SEEN IT, HOBEY. AND I REPEAT THAT I DON'T LIKE IT.
YAWN! THESE EARLY WAKEUPS ARE DESTROYING ME.
HE HE! YOU'LL GET USED TO IT, UNCA DONALD.
YOU CAN TAKE A NAP IN THE MEANTIME. YOU DON'T HAVE WORK UNTIL TOMORROW.
WRONG! WITH THESE DOUBLE SHIFTS, I HAVE TO RETURN TO DUCKMALL TONIGHT.
AND OTHERWISE I WOULD HAVE TO GO ON PATROL AS THE AVENGER. WHAT A HARD LIFE...

I SHOULD HAVE EVERY RIGHT TO ALLOW MYSELF SOME SNORING ON MY BELOVED COUCH...
... BUT UNFORTUNATELY I HAVE SOMETHING MORE IMPORTANT TO DO!
I'M HEADING OUT, BOYS. A STROLL WILL HELP ME WAKE UP.
WORKING AS A GUARD HAS MADE LINCA DONALD MORE VIGILANT.
HUH? INC-REDIBLE!
AT LEAST IT HAS STOPPED RAINING...
I HOPE NO ONE SEES ME BEHIND THE WHEEL OF THIS TRUCK.
I COULD SAY THAT I HAVE A SECOND JOB... BUT WHO WOULD BELIEVE ME?
WHAT MATTERS IS THAT, CAMOUFLAGED LIKE THIS, THE DUCKMOBILE IS UNRECOGNIZABLE!

I ABSOLUTELY HAVE TO FIND A SAFE PLACE TO PARK IT. AND PERHAPS I ALSO KNOW *WHERE.*
THUS...
HIDING AN OBJECT AMONG LOOKALIKES IS *A CLASSIC.*
TLAK
HE HE! WHO'D EVER LOOK FOR THE *INCREDIBLE VEHICLE* OF THE *MASKED PALADIN*...
... IN THE MIDST OF OLD *DISUSED AUTOBUSES* OF THE PUBLIC TRANSPORT COMPANY?
I'LL TAKE THE THREE HUNDRED AND TWENTY- SEVEN, CHARLIE!
IS IT FOR THOSE *SCHOOLCHILDREN* WHO WANT TO TOUR THE CITY?

YES. SO?
YOU'LL TEAR IT DOWN! SUCH TRANSPORTATION SERVICES ALWAYS RETURN FOR SCRAPPING.
THE "TWENTY-SEVEN" IS NEW! USE ONE OF THE WRECKS.
HUH? YOU'RE RIGHT!
QUACK!
AND YOU, INSTEAD OF STANDING THERE LOOKING, DISASSEMBLE THE AXLE OF THE...
SORRY, I ALREADY HAVE ANOTHER TASK.
I NEED TO GET THE THIRTY-TWO SOME AIR.
EEEH?
DID YOU HEAR THAT TOO?
CURIOUS, EH? I THOUGHT THE THIRTY-TWO HAD ALREADY ENDED UP AT THE JUNKYARD.
SNORT! IT WOULD BE BETTER TO FIND A LESS RISKY PARKING SPACE.

BUS STOP
WHEREVER I LEAVE THE DUCKMOBILE, THERE'S THE DANGER THAT SOMEONE WILL TAKE IT FOR A RIDE.
HMPF! THEY THINK OF EVERYTHING TO SKIP THE STOPS.
UNLESS... I FORGOT THAT THIS MARVEL CAN ALSO FLY.
SO...
AM I OR AM I NOT A GENIUS?
BODY SHOP
THIS AND THAT
AND YOUR CAR WILL HAVE NO EQUAL
I DEFY ANYONE TO DISCOVER IT. AND YET I'VE HID IT IN FRONT OF EVERYONE'S EYES!
HI HI! FALSE ADVERTISING SIGNS ARE ALMOST A TRADITION WITHIN US SUPER-HEROES.

I CAN BE PROUD OF...
... HAVING BROKEN THE LAW!
COME AGAIN?
YOU INSTALLED THAT NEON SIGN UP THERE, DID YOU NOT? LET'S SEE THE PERMITS.
WHAT? ACTUALLY I...
SAY NO MORE! THE FINE FOR ILLEGAL ADVERTISING IS TWO THOUSAND DOLLARS.
THREE THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED MORE FOR VIOLATION OF THE AESTHETIC ROAD REGULATIONS...
AND IF I DISMANTLE IT RIGHT AWAY?
THEN THERE'S REMISSION, BUT IT MUST BE WITHIN TWENTY-FOUR...
... HOURS? I SAID RIGHT AWAY!
HEY! FLYBY ON URBAN TERRITORY... EIGHT THOUSAND DOLLARS!

I BET THIS DOESN'T HAPPEN TO THE X-DUCKS OR THE BLUE LANTERN!
CONCENTRATE, DONALD. IS IT POSSIBLE THAT THERE DOESN'T EXIST A QUIET ABANDONED GARAGE IN ALL OF DUCKBURG?
WAIT A MINUTE! THERE'S THAT OLD FACTORY, JUST OUTSIDE HE WESTERN OUTSKIRTS!
CENTURY SOMETHING... I THINK THAT'S WHAT IT'S CALLED! IT WAS ALREADY A RUIN WHEN I WAS A KID!
SUCH A SPECIMEN OF INDUSTRIAL ARCHEOLOGY MUST SURELY HAVE HAD AN ADEQUATE GARAGE FOR ITS MEANS OF TRANSPORTATION.

CORRECT, DONALD!
"CENTURY" HAS THE REPUTATION OF BEING HAUNTED BY PHANTOMS. STRANGE THAT NOBODY HAS THOUGHT OF...
HAVE YOU ALREADY REPAINTED THE NEW ARRIVALS, ROSCOE?
... EXACTLY!
NOT YET. BUT I REPLACED THE LICENSE PLATES.
LOOK OUT! THE POLICE!
WORSE, ZED! IT'S THE AVENGER!
BUT NOW I'LL NAIL HIM!
RAT-TAT-TAT
A GANG OF CAR THIEVES!

THEY MUSTN'T SEE MY FACE OR GOODBYE SECRET IDENTITY.
LUCKILY I ALWAYS KEEP A CLEAN MASK IN THE GLOVE COMPARTMENT.
TLAC
LET'S SCATTER! HE CAN'T GET ALL OF US!
BUT I'LL BEAT THEM WITHOUT EXITING THE DUCKMOBILE.
GASP!
WHY? ONE AT A TIME SEEMS HARD?
OH NO!
URGH!
TCHIII
TCHIII
ALRIGHT THEN! I CAN ALSO MULTITASK!

YOUR ACCESSORY IS NICE, BUT WHAT I HAVE IS BETTER!
THUUUD
YOU LIKE THIS MULTIFUNCTIONAL OMNI-DOZER? I STOLE IT FROM A CONSTRUCTION SITE.
YOU WERE COUNTING ON SELLING IT TO A PASSIONATE DO-IT-YOURSELF BUILDER?
WHAT SUBTLE HUMOR! SUITS YOU...
... SEEING AS YOU'LL SOON BE SUBTLE AS WELL!
K-LAK
CLOM-MB
CLOM-MB
VRRRROOOMBLE
RUN HIM DOWN!
GIVE HIM ONE FROM US!
UH OH! THOSE ROLLERS LOOK HEAVY!

THE DUCKMOBILE'S ARMORED STRUCTURE CAN PROBABLY RESIST...
... BUT I DON'T THINK I'LL STAY TO CONFIRM IT!
SCREEECH
KLING
CRAASH
I SHOULD HAVE CHECKED THE REARVIEW MIRROR. I'VE CORNERED MYSELF!
VROOOUMBLE
UH OH! BETTER GET OUT!
NEVER MIND. I FORGOT THAT I DON'T HAVE THE APPROPRIATE ATTIRE.
REMAIN STILL AND SMILE, AVENGER! YOU'RE ABOUT TO BECOME YOUR PHOTO-GRAPH!

SSSCHFRUUZZZE
BEEH? WHAT...
I TOLD YOU TO *LEAVE*, SCOUNDRELS!
WA-ROOMBLE
NICE COLOR! IT'S PERFECT FOR YOUR *LIMOUSINE!*
URGH! THIS MUST BE THE *WALL!*
TIME TO *CUT IT SHORT.*
THE *TRACKS*, NATURALLY. IT'S IN TO HAVE THEM LIKE THIS YEAR.
SNAP
IF YOU THINK YOU'VE WON, *YOU'RE WRONG*, HERO!

WAIT TILL YOU SEE WHAT I GOT FROM THE DEPOSIT OF THE ASSAULT TEAM OF THE PO...
... OOOOOOH?
TSK, TSK! THAT'S WHAT HAPPENS WHEN YOU LEAVE *LUBRICANT* AROUND...
POINT AND MATCH FOR ME... ALTHOUGH I RISKED LOSING THE *BODYWORK*.
THE INTERVENTION OF THAT *STRANGE GUY* WAS PROVIDENTIAL.

THANKS, FRIEND! I CAN'T GET OUT TO SHAKE YOUR HAND, BUT...
... BUT WHO AM I TALKING TO? HE'S GONE!
HE MUST BE VERY SHY. OR HE'S TOO MODEST TO ACCEPT MY THANKS.
SSHAPP
IF HE DOESN'T WANT TO MAKE FRIENDS, THAT'S HIS BUSINESS. NOW I JUST HAVE TO WRAP A NICE GIFT PACKAGE.
URGH!
HEY! CUT IT OUT!
THANKS, DUCK AVENGER. WE'VE BEEN LOOKING FOR THESE FOR MONTHS.
IT'S GETTING LATE. I'LL HAVE TO POSTPONE THE SEARCH FOR A HIDEOUT FOR THE DUCKMOBILE.

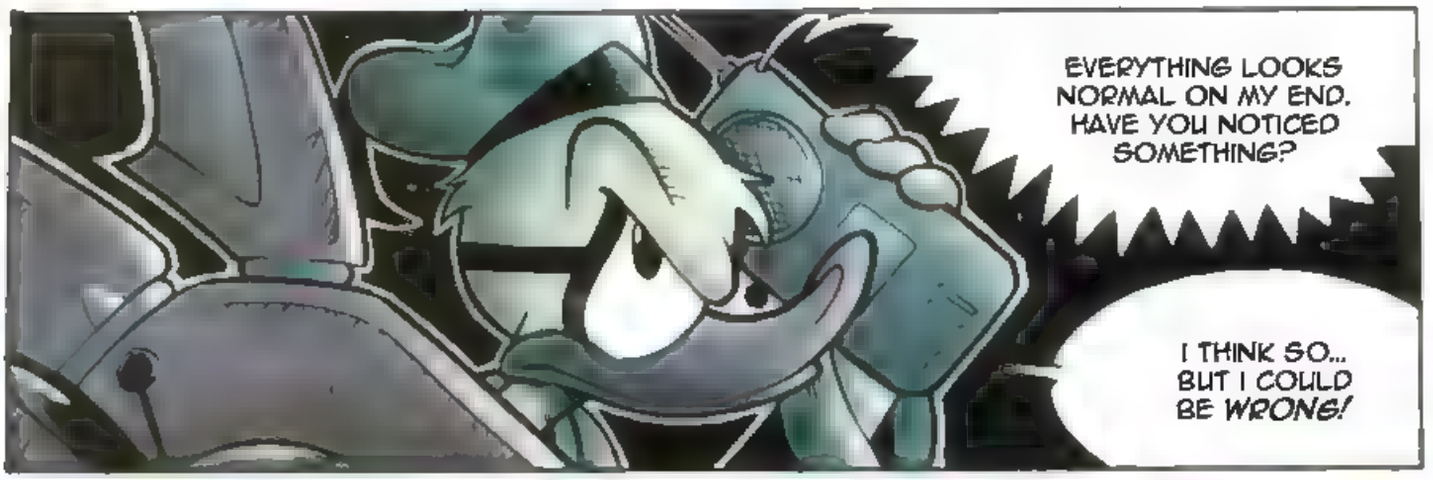
I HAVEN'T GOTTEN ANYTHING DONE AND I HAD TO WORK *OVERTIME* AS A HERO.
BUT... WITH THIS SYSTEM I COULD SIMULTANEOUSLY DO THE *PATROL* AND *GUARD DUTY.*
THUS...
WHAT DO YOU HAVE THERE, DONALD? *SNACK?*
YEAH. SOMETHING *STRANGE* ABOUT THAT?
DUCKMALL CENTER
DING
YOU NEVER HAVE SOME AT MIDNIGHT?
YOU *BET!*
BUT I HADN'T THOUGHT OF BRINGING SOME TO WORK.
HMM! THIS EXPLAINS CERTAIN *DISAPPEARANCES* FROM THE "SPECIALTIES FOOD" SECTION.

HOW DARE YOU? I HAVEN'T...
HA HA! COME ON, FATSO! I WAS KIDDING!
SEE YOU LATER, BOYS. HAPPY PATROLLING.
MAYONNAISE AND TOMATOES - CHOMP - GOOD THINKING WITH THESE SANDWICHES.
THANK GOODNESS THAT FATSO AND BUBBA DIDN'T ASK WHAT I HAVE IN THE THERMOS!
THUD
HE HE! THERE'S ONE MORE GUARD AT DUCKMALL TONIGHT.
SSS
IF THE MYSTERIOUS ROBBERS STRIKE AGAIN, IT WILL BE A WALK IN THE PARK FOR THE AVENGER TO NAB THEM.

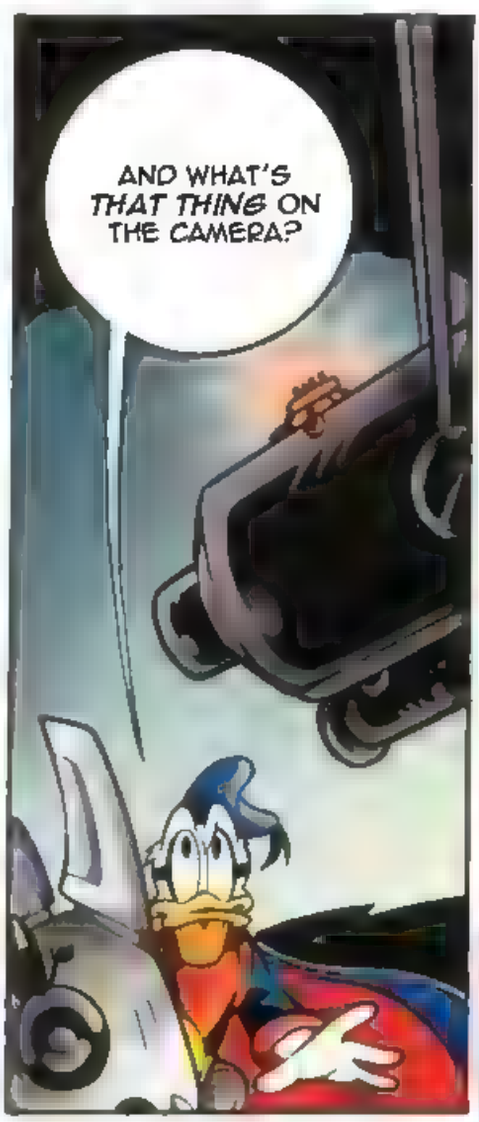
THEN WE CAN STOP WORKING *OVERTIME!*
HUH? DID YOU HEAR SOMETHING, BUB?
SSSSHOO
IT CAME FROM THE FIRST SOUTH BALCONY.
IT'S NOT *MY* TERRITORY AND NEITHER IS IT *YOURS*.
YOU'RE RIGHT, BUT I PREFER HOWEVER TO NOTIFY THE CONTROL ROOM.
THANKS, FATSO. THE BALCONY'S IN THE *NEW* SECTION.
LET'S *WAKE HIM UP!* CONTROL ROOM TO DONALD...

FURTHER AWAY...
EVERYTHING ALRIGHT IN YOUR ZONE?
YES SIR, NOTHING TO REPORT.
GOOD, BUT THEN...
WAP
WAP
EH?
TAP
TAP
... WHY CAN'T I SPOT YOU?
EHEM... I...
MAYBE I'M IN A DEAD ANGLE. I'M COMING!
HERE I AM. CONTENT?
HAPPY. TRY TO NOT DISAPPEAR AGAIN.

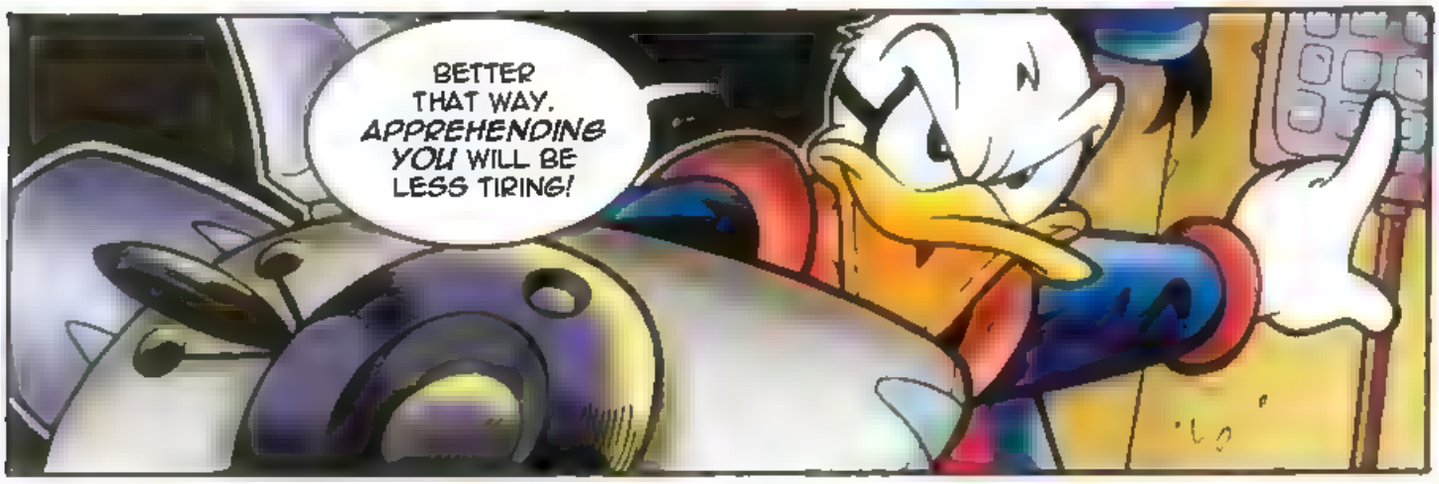
I DON'T WANT TO SOUND THE GENERAL ALARM FOR NOTHING!
WE WOULDN'T WANT THAT...
FEW HOURS LATER...
SGRUNT! NOT EVEN A SHADOW OF A THIEF!
ON THE OTHER HAND I'VE ALMOST DISLOCATED MY ARMS HAVING TO CHANGE MY CLOTHES EVERY TIME I GO WITHIN THE RANGE OF A CAMERA!
I KNOW THAT IT WASN'T A GOOD IDEA TO...
TUTTO PER FAR
DI TUTT
TLUNK
I SPOKE TOO SOON!
DONALD TO CONTROL ROOM. CHECK THE "BRICOLAGE & HOBBY" DEPARTMENT"!
OKAY, WAIT.


EVERYTHING LOOKS NORMAL ON MY END. HAVE YOU NOTICED SOMETHING?
I THINK SO... BUT I COULD BE *WRONG!*

BUT IT'S *STRANGE.* THE SPOT-LIGHT ISN'T *TURNED ON.*


AND WHAT'S *THAT THING* ON THE CAMERA?

SHOULD I TAKE THE SCREWDRIVER TOO, HOBEY?
YES, A FULL SET.
BINGO! BY LOOKING, I WOULDN'T SAY THESE ARE *HYPERTECHN-OLOGICAL SUPERVIL-LAINS.*


BETTER THAT WAY. *APPREHENDING YOU* WILL BE LESS TIRING!

SO LET GO OFF THE BOOTY, PEOPLE, AND RAISE YOUR HANDS!
CLIK CLIK
THE AVENGER?! YOU'RE WRONG, WE'RE NOT STEALING!
DON'T GET IN OUR WAY. WE HAVE TO SAVE DUCKBURG.
HUH? IT'S USUALLY I WHO DOES THAT.
SWISS
NOT THIS TIME! YOU'RE NOT UP TO IT!
SBRANG
IF WE DON'T GET WHAT PROFUNDA WANTS, THE GREAT UNIFORMATOR WILL TRIUMPH.
THE GREAT UNIFORMATOR? PROFUNDA?
WE'LL ALL BE MADE GRAY AND START WEARING TIES AND... OOOF!
TAKE IT EASY AND EXPLAIN!
TUNF
ULP!
GRRRRIIINZ
THERE'S NOTHING TO EXPLAIN! THE DEFINITIVE WINTER IS ABOUT TO DESCEND ON THE CITY.

EVERYTHING WILL FREEZE!
AND THAT CHAINSAW CAN STOP IT?
NO! PROFUNDA CAN. AND WE'LL HELP!
ZZZGNAAAX
RRRZZZK
OUCH!
SORRY... BUT I DON'T THINK SO!
IF THE COLD'S WORRYING YOU, I'LL GET YOU A NICE WARM CELL.
YOU CAN'T TAKE US TO JAIL. YOU HAVE TO SIDE WITH US.
CAN'T YOU UNDERSTAND? THE CANCELLER IS APPROACHING!
IT WILL DEVOUR OUR MEMORIES! HOW CAN WE LIVE WITHOUT THEM?
THIS IS ABSURD. THEY'RE TERRIFIED!

YET EACH OF THEM SEEM AFRAID OF *SOMETHING DIFFERENT.*
YOU'RE RIGHT. I DON'T UNDER-STAND.
YOU CAN GO. I WON'T STOP YOU.
THANK YOU! WE KNEW YOU ALWAYS WERE ON THE SIDE OF *GOOD.*
*COME ON!* GRAB THE MATERIAL
IF THE EVRONIANS WERE STILL AROUND, I'D SWEAR THEY'VE BEEN *SEMI-COOLFLAMED.*
DON'T FORGET THE SCREWDRIVERS, SHAPIRO.
IT'S NOT NORMAL! THEY DON'T SUSPECT THAT I MIGHT *FOLLOW THEM.*
ON THE OTHER HAND I'LL FIND OUT *WHERE* THEY ENTER FROM.
BUT ABOVE ALL... *WHO* PROFUNDA IS!

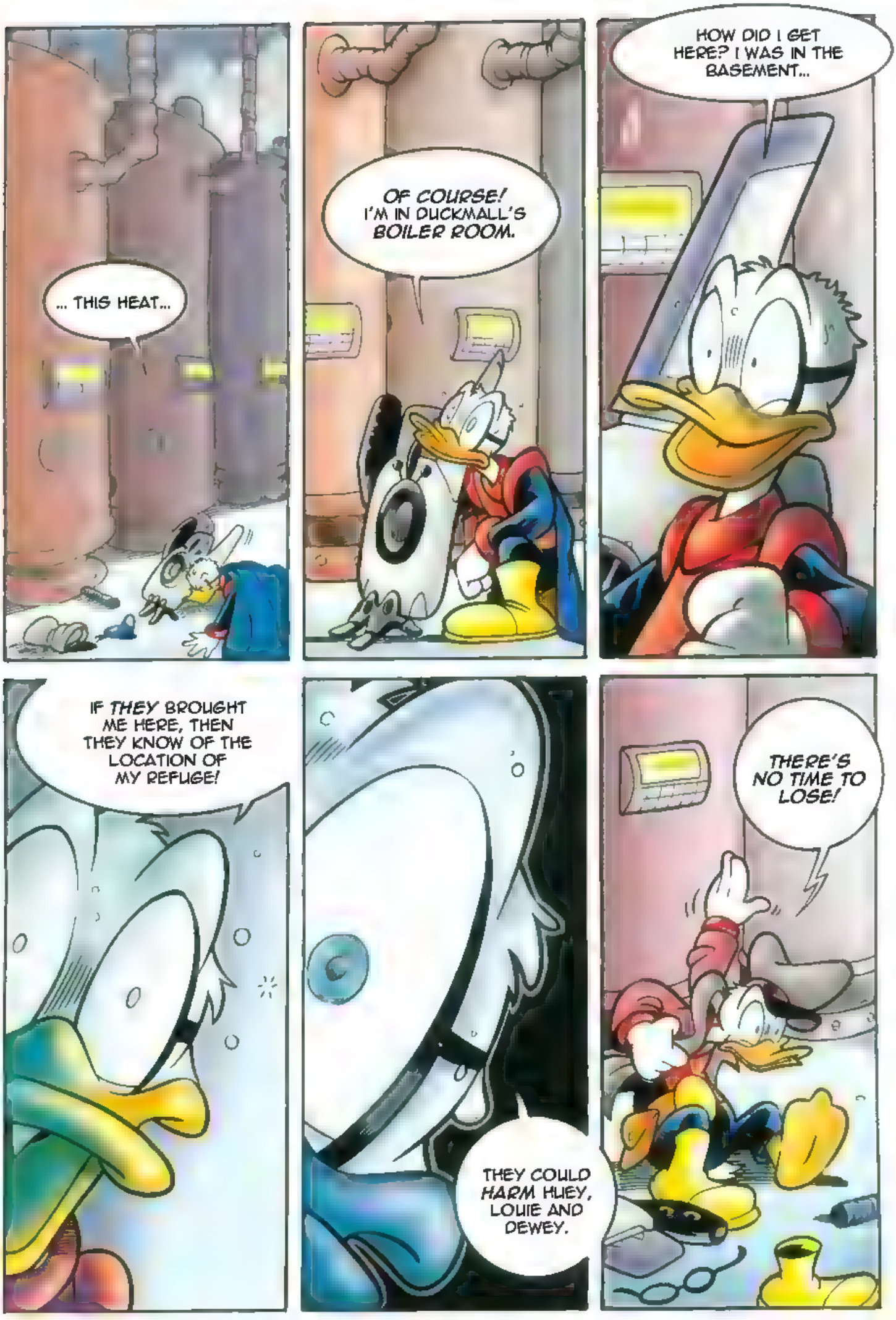
THUS...
THE UNDERGROUND OF DUCKMALL. NO ONE THOUGHT THE THIEVES HAD ENTERED FROM THE SUBSOIL.
THUD
WHERE DOES THIS TUNNEL LEAD?
WELL, YOU KNOW WHAT THEY SAY... "ONLY ONE WAY TO FIND OUT"!
BUT...
THIS IS LIKE A MAZE. I'M AFRAID I LOST THEM.
I FEEL LIKE I'VE BEEN DOWN HERE FOR HOURS AND... OW!
BOONG
PROFUNDA?! IS THIS WHAT THEY WERE TALKING ABOUT?

YOU SHOULDN'T HAVE REVEALED THE TERRIBLE THINGS THAT WILL HAPPEN TO A STRANGER!
IT WASN'T A STRANGER, PROFUNDA...
FOUND YOU!
IT WAS THE AVENGER, THE DEFENDER OF THE CITY!
HE HELPED US. HE'S ON OUR SIDE.
BUT MAYBE NOT...
... MAYBE NOT ON YOURS. RIGHT, PROFUNDA?
WELCOME. I WAS HOPING TO MEET YOU!
WHAT? YOU...
... YOU...

... ARE EVERETT DUCKLAIR!
MY FRIENDS DOWN HERE PREFER TO CALL ME PROFUNDA.
I HAVE GREAT PLANS FOR OUR CITY, MY FRIEND. I THINK YOU'LL FIND THEM... UPSETTING.
THEN ANGUS WAS RIGHT!
HA HA! THAT OBTUSE BUSYBODY CAN'T EVEN REMOTELY IMAGINE WHAT'S WAITING FOR YOU.
YOU'LL BE THE FIRST TO FIND OUT. GET HIM!
THAT'S WHY THEY WERE SO STRANGE. THEY'RE DROIDS!
STAY BACK, PUPPETS, OR I'LL... HUH?
BUMP
ONE?
WE MEET AGAIN, EX-PARTNER!

I NEEDED AN ALLY IN THIS ENDEAVOR, SO I REPROGRAMMED IT.
YOU'RE ALONE, AVENGER. SURRENDER!
IT'S TERRIFYING. MY WORST NIGHTMARE!
WE CAN REPROGRAM YOU TOO. PUT DOWN THE SHIELD.
D-D-DON'T COME CLOSER!
AFTER HIM! HE MUSTN'T ESCAPE!
LUCKILY I'M FASTER THAN THEM! IF ONLY I KNEW WHICH DIRECTION TO TAKE...
A VERTICAL WELL! HOPE IT LEADS UP TO THE SURFACE.

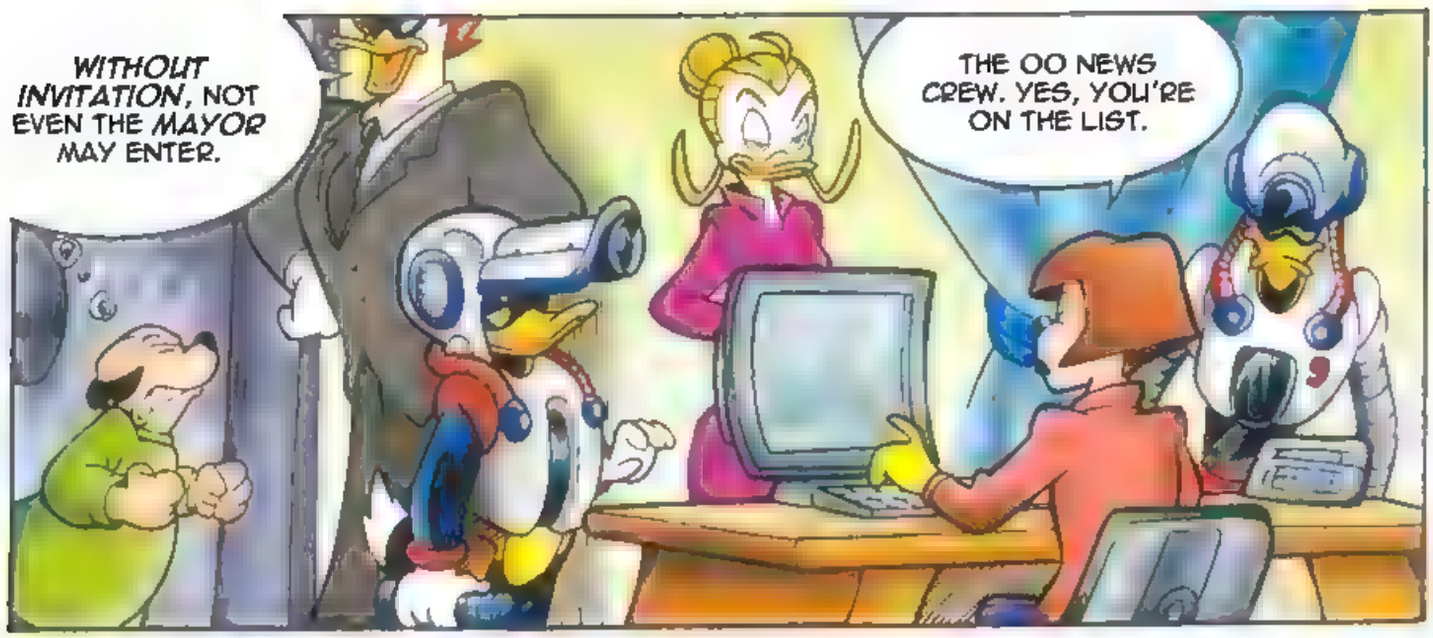
CLUMB
I MADE IT. WONDER WHERE...
BUT... THIS *IS*...
... MY OLD *CELLAR REFUGE*. HOW IS IT POSSIBLE?
I THOUGHT THAT MANHOLE WAS *BRICKED*.
INSTEAD IT SEEMS LIKE *IT'S NOT!*
*OH NO!* THEY FOLLOWED ME ALL THE WAY HERE!
AREN'T YOU HAPPY? YOU SHOULD BE MORE *HOSPITABLE*.


... THIS HEAT...
OF COURSE! I'M IN DUCKMALL'S BOILER ROOM.
HOW DID I GET HERE? I WAS IN THE BASEMENT...
IF THEY BROUGHT ME HERE, THEN THEY KNOW OF THE LOCATION OF MY REFUGE!
THEY COULD HARM HUEY, LOUIE AND DEWEY.
THERE'S NO TIME TO LOSE!

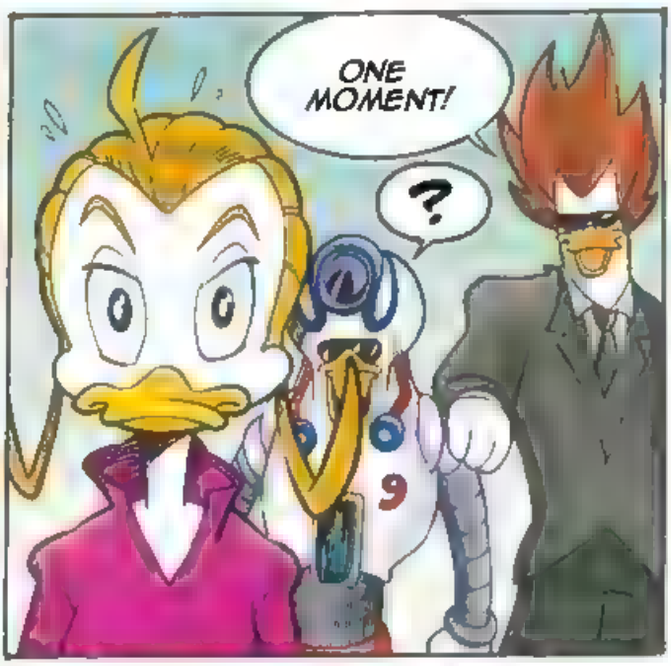
DONALD! WHERE WERE YOU?
WE'VE BEEN SEARCHING FOR YOU FOR HOURS, BOY.
I'M SORRY, I... I SURPRISED THE THIEVES.
BUT I DIDN'T MANAGE TO STOP THEM.
DOESN'T MATTER. BUT YOU HAVE TO GIVE ME A DETAILED REPORT.
LATER! RIGHT NOW I'M TOO DISTRAUGHT!
RUBBISH! GET BACK HERE THIS INSTANT.
WHAT A ROOKIE!
I DIDN'T WANT TO RUN FROM BLOOM LIKE THAT, BUT NOW I KNOW WHAT'S GOING TO HAPPEN!

IF I DON'T HURRY, I WON'T BE ABLE TO STOP IT. IT WILL BE A REAL...
... CATASTR-OPHE! THEY CAN'T DO THIS TO ME.
THEY CAN, ANGUS. DUCKLAIR ENTER-PRISE'S PRESENTA-TION HAS BEEN SCHEDULED FOR TODAY.
BUT THE ORGANIZATION HAS SPECIFICALLY REQUESTED CHANNEL 00 TO NOT SEND YOU TO COVER IT.
SO I'D BE A PERSONA NON GRATA! HOW DARE THEY?
YOU MAKE ALL KINDS OF INSINUATIONS ABOUT THEM. YOU THOUGHT THEY'D WELCOME YOU WITH OPEN ARMS?
TOUCHY. I'LL GO ANYWAY.
I'D LIKE TO SEE THEM DARE STOP ME FROM...
THEY DARE, ANGUS. AND I WANT TO AVOID UNNECESSARILY IRRITATING THEM.

REMEMBER THAT DUCKLAIR IS OUR NEW LANDLORD.
OPPORT-UNIST!
THEREFORE LYLA WILL GO TO THE PRESS CONFERENCE.
AAARGH! TREACHERY!
BRRIIP
BRRIIP
DON'T TAKE IT HARD, ANGUS. IT WILL BE SO BORING.
IN THE END IT'S JUST ONE OF THE USUAL...
LYLA! IT'S FOR YOU...
HELLO?
I HAVE TO ASK YOU FOR A BIG FAVOR.
THIS IS AN INSULT! I'M THE SUB-COMMISSIONER OF THE ECONOMIC COMPART-MENTATION!
I'M SORRY, SIR. I HAVE PRECISE ORDERS.


WITHOUT *INVITATION*, NOT EVEN THE *MAYOR* MAY ENTER.
THE OO NEWS CREW. YES, YOU'RE ON THE LIST.

GO AHEAD AND ENTER.
THANK YOU.
THE PRESS KIT, MISS LAY.


*ONE MOMENT!*
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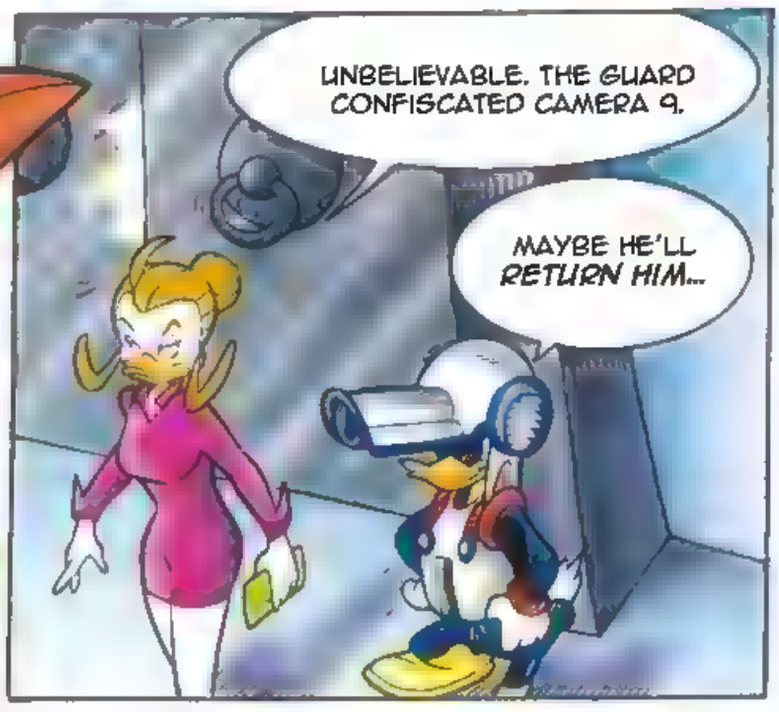
THE ACCREDITATION IS FOR *ONE* REPORTER AND *ONE* CAMERAMAN. THE SECOND HAS TO STAY *OUTSIDE*.


UNBELIEVABLE. THE GUARD CONFISCATED CAMERA 9.
MAYBE HE'LL *RETURN HIM*...

... IF YOU EXPLAIN THAT HE'S THE *REAL CAMERAMAN.*
I NEVER EXPECTED THAT IT'D BE PRECISELY YOU WHO'D BE SENT TO COVER THE PRESS CONFERENCE.
IT WENT WELL FOR YOU. OTHERWISE YOU WOULDN'T HAVE MANAGED TO GET IN.
AND HOW WILL YOU NOW RECORD IT?
DON'T WORRY. I JUST HAVE TO PLACE THE CAMERA IN A *PROPER* POSITION...
TAP
... AND SET IT TO *AUTO-MATIC.*
CRRR
OF COURSE, THE FRAMES WON'T BE VERY VARIED.
BUT PRESS CONFERENCES HARDLY OFFER *SPECTACULAR* SCENES. HE HE!
*WAIT* BEFORE YOU SAY THAT. SEE YOU LATER.
*WELCOME, FRIENDS!*

ALLOW ME FIRST TO PRESENT MY CLOSEST COLLABORATORS: BIRGIT Q AND ANYMORE BORING.
WITH THEIR HELP I'LL TRANSFORM OUR CITY INTO...
... A PILE OF SMOLDERING RUINS!
AVENGER! WHAT ARE YOU TRYING TO SAY?
THAT I KNOW YOUR PLANS FOR DUCKBURG VERY WELL, DUCKLAIR.
OR PERHAPS I SHOULD CALL YOU PROFUNDA?
WHY? I'VE NEVER EVEN HEARD OF THAT NAME.

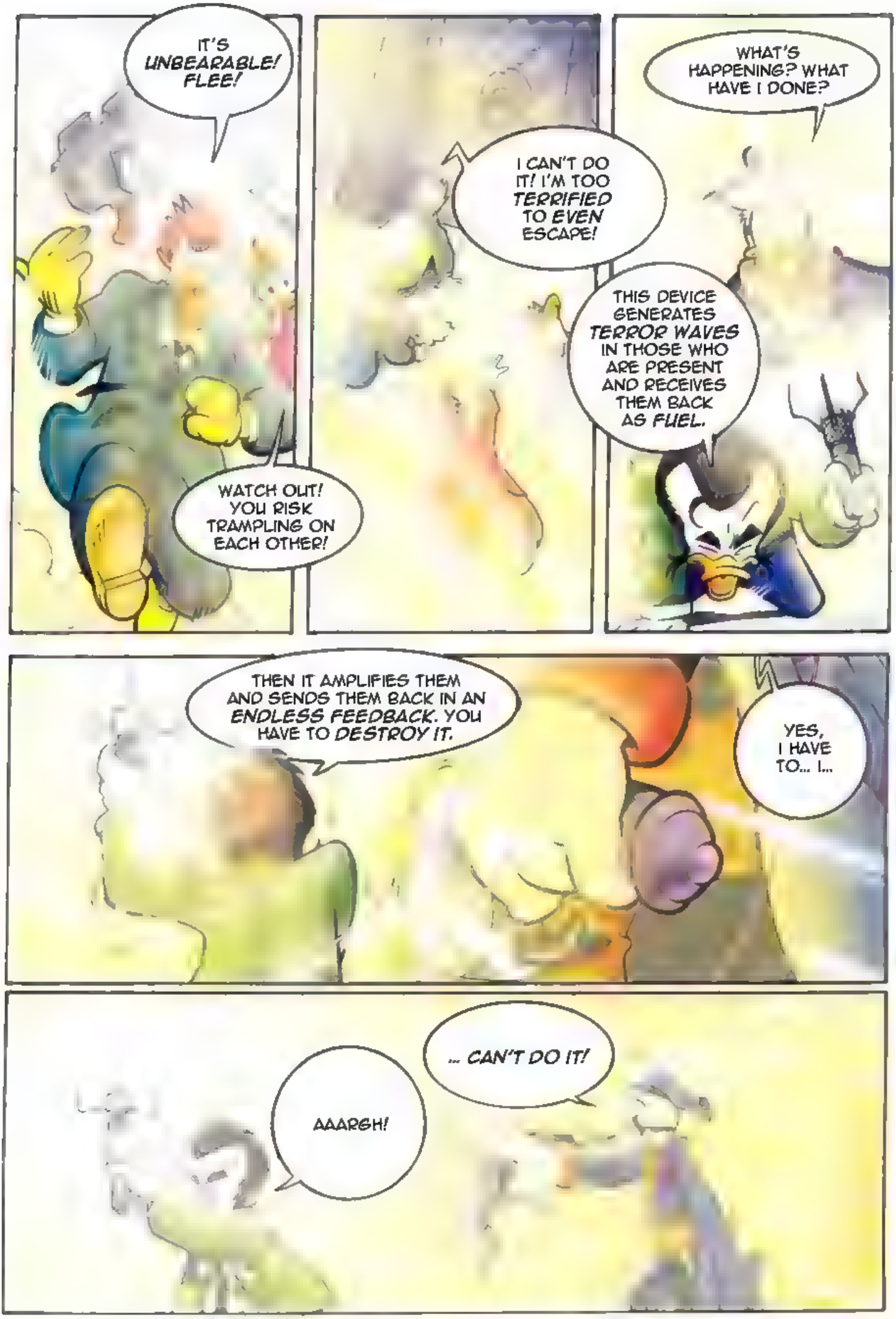
BUT I REMEMBER PERFECTLY TELLING YOU TO NEVER AGAIN SET FOOT IN DUCKLAIR TOWER.
HA HA!
SO I'LL HAVE TO ASK SECURITY TO ACCOMPANY YOU OUT.
EHEM... MR. DUCKLAIR...
THE AVENGER IS A RESPECTABLE CITIZEN, AND...
... WE'RE NOT SURE WE COULD GET HIM OUT THE DOOR, IF HE DOESN'T AGREE.
I THOUGHT SO. SO TO GET RID OF HIS PRESENCE I'LL PROVIDE...
VRRRRRRRRRR
... THE MORE EFFICIENT USHERS AT MY DISPOSAL.
I KNOW YOUR CONTRAPTIONS BY NOW, EVERETT.

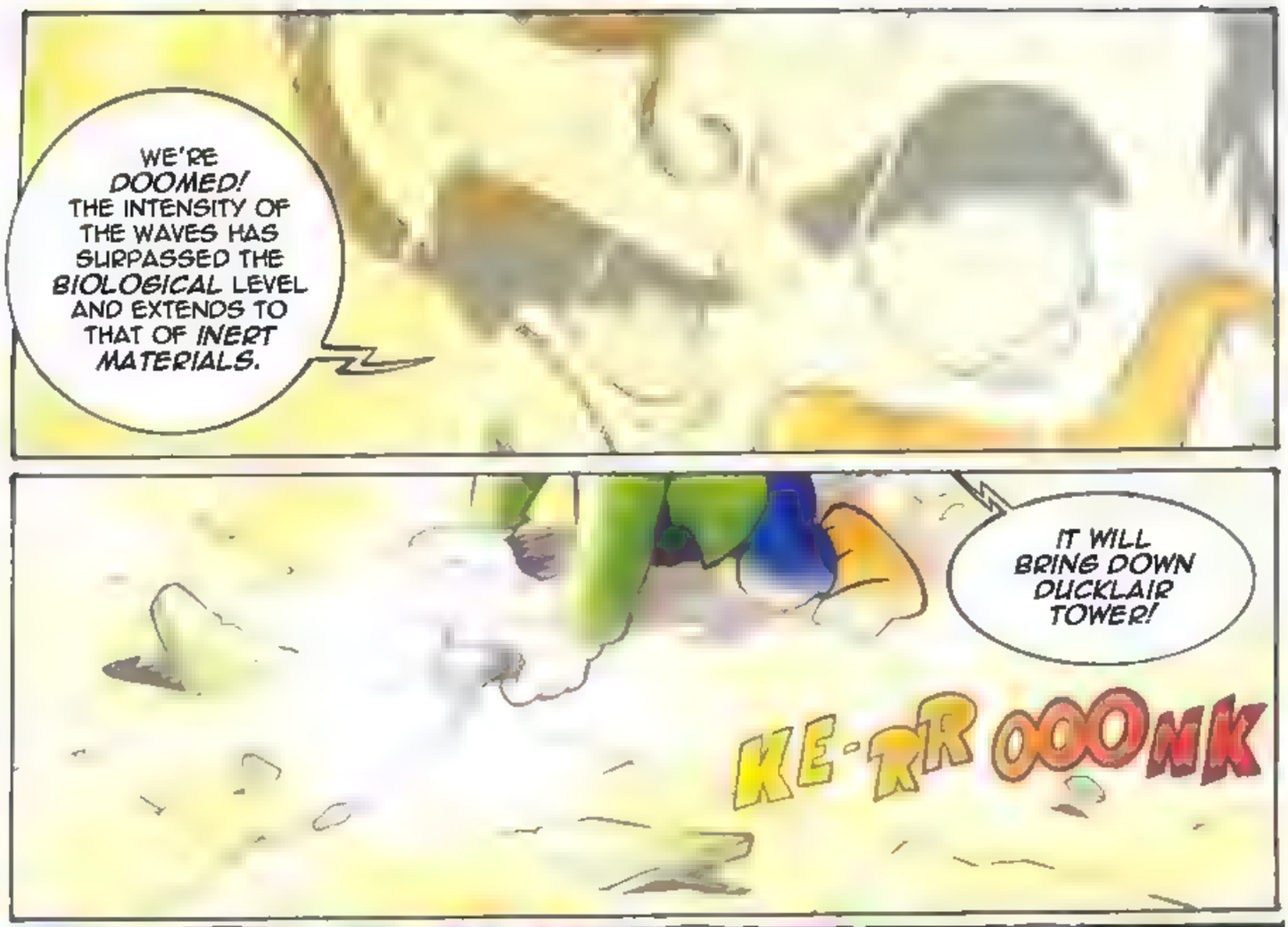
THEY'RE FAST AND PERSISTENT.
HELP!
THOOMP
TOO BAD THEY HAVE POOR SENSE OF BALANCE.
AND THEN THEY'RE NOT AS ARMORED AS THEY SEEM, RIGHT?
TO PUT THEM OUT OF ACTION...
ZZRRAP
... HITTING THEIR PROBABILISTIC GRAVITOSCOPE IS ENOUGH.
TAP
WHEEZ
WHEEZ
WHEEZ

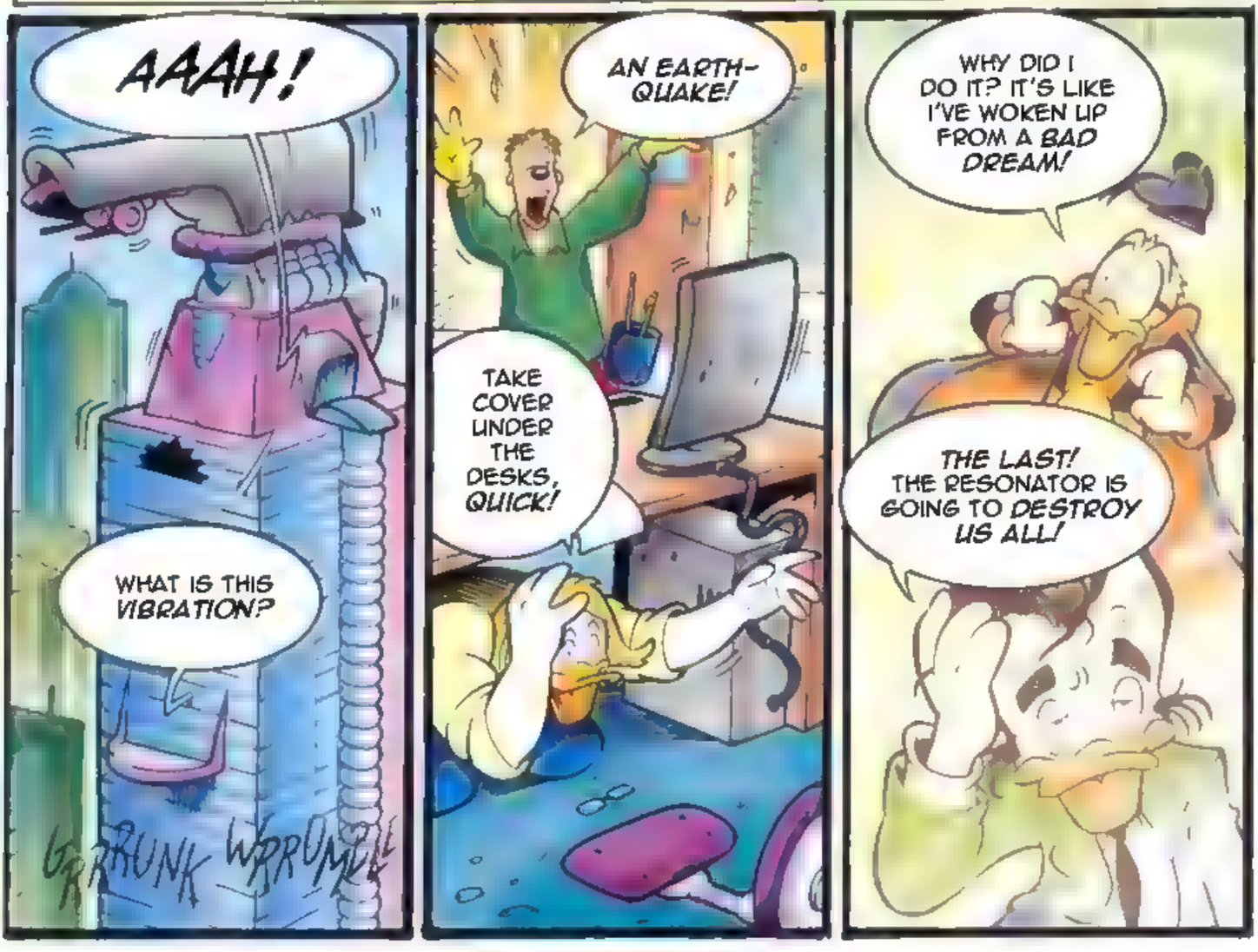
THEY'RE PROGRAMMED TO *NOT USE HEAVY WEAPONS* IN CROWDS. AND THAT'S NOT ALL.
FRRRCHT
FRRRCHT
WHEN THEY'RE IN *OPTICAL SEARCH* MODE...
FRRCHT
... THEY CAN'T DISTINGUISH A *REAL TARGET*...
... FROM A *GOOD HOLOGRAM!*
KRRAASH
BUT DON'T WORRY. THE *TERRACE* STOPPED IT BEFORE IT GOT ACQUAINTED WITH THE *PAVEMENT*.
SBARANG

IT WOULD BE GOOD TO EQUIP THE NEXT MODEL WITH PARACHUTES, DON'T YOU THINK?
IT'S NOT POSSIBLE! SOMEONE'S TAUGHT YOU THE WEAK POINTS OF MY ROBOTS.
MAYBE. SOMEONE WHO SUGGESTED I DON'T VISIT YOU EMPTY-HANDED.
SO I BOUGHT YOU A PRESENT.
WHAT? I RECOGNIZE THAT TECHNOLOGY...
WHO GAVE YOU THAT CONTRAPTION?
HUH? WHO? I...
ANSWER ME! WHO DID YOU GET IT FROM?
... FROM PROFUNDA!

WHO, ACCORDING TO YOU, IS ME! AM I SUPPOSED TO HAVE GIVEN YOU THE INSTRUMENT TO DEFEAT ME?
DOES THAT SEEM LOGICAL, AVENGER?
... I DON'T KNOW. I DON'T...
... ENOUGH! YOU'RE JUST TRYING TO CONFUSE ME, BUT IT WON'T WORK!
WANT A BETTER LOOK AT MY PRESENT? THEN TAKE IT!
NO! IT'S...
TSSSAK
... A PANIC RESONATOR!
HELP!
AAAGH!


IT'S UNBEARABLE! FLEE!
WATCH OUT! YOU RISK TRAMPLING ON EACH OTHER!
I CAN'T DO IT! I'M TOO TERRIFIED TO EVEN ESCAPE!
WHAT'S HAPPENING? WHAT HAVE I DONE?
THIS DEVICE GENERATES TERROR WAVES IN THOSE WHO ARE PRESENT AND RECEIVES THEM BACK AS FUEL.
THEN IT AMPLIFIES THEM AND SENDS THEM BACK IN AN ENDLESS FEEDBACK. YOU HAVE TO DESTROY IT.
YES, I HAVE TO... I...
... CAN'T DO IT!
AAARGH!


WE'RE DOOMED! THE INTENSITY OF THE WAVES HAS SURPASSED THE BIOLOGICAL LEVEL AND EXTENDS TO THAT OF INERT MATERIALS.
IT WILL BRING DOWN DUCKLAIR TOWER!
KE-RR OOONK

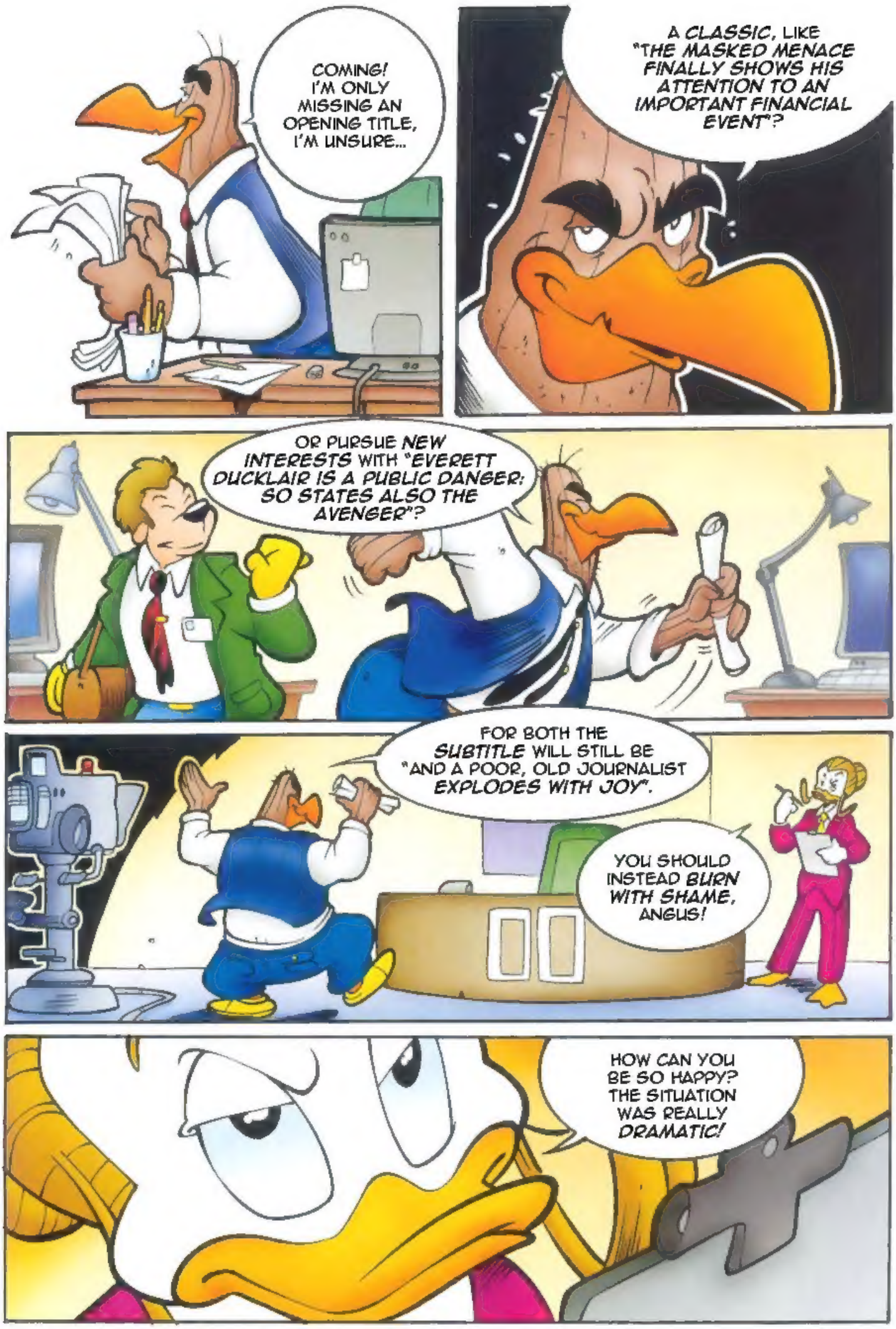

AAAH!
WHAT IS THIS VIBRATION?
GRRUNK WRRUMLL
AN EARTH-QUAKE!
TAKE COVER UNDER THE DESKS, QUICK!
WHY DID I DO IT? IT'S LIKE I'VE WOKEN UP FROM A BAD DREAM!
THE LAST! THE RESONATOR IS GOING TO DESTROY US ALL!

AND I'LL BE THE *FIRST*. I CAN'T EVEN LET GO OF IT, MY NERVOUS SYSTEM HAS REACHED ITS *LIMIT*.
THE *MEDIATION FORMULAS* I LEARNED AT DHASAM-BUL! MAYBE THEY CAN HELP ME *ENDURE*. "GOM JABBAR OOOM..."
"... PAH BENI GESSERIT OM KLAATU..."
"... OOM BARADHA NIKTO..." OH?
CRRUNCH
JUST IN TIME. I TOO WAS STARTING TO FEEL THE EFFECTS THAT THE RESONATOR HAD ON *MATTER*.

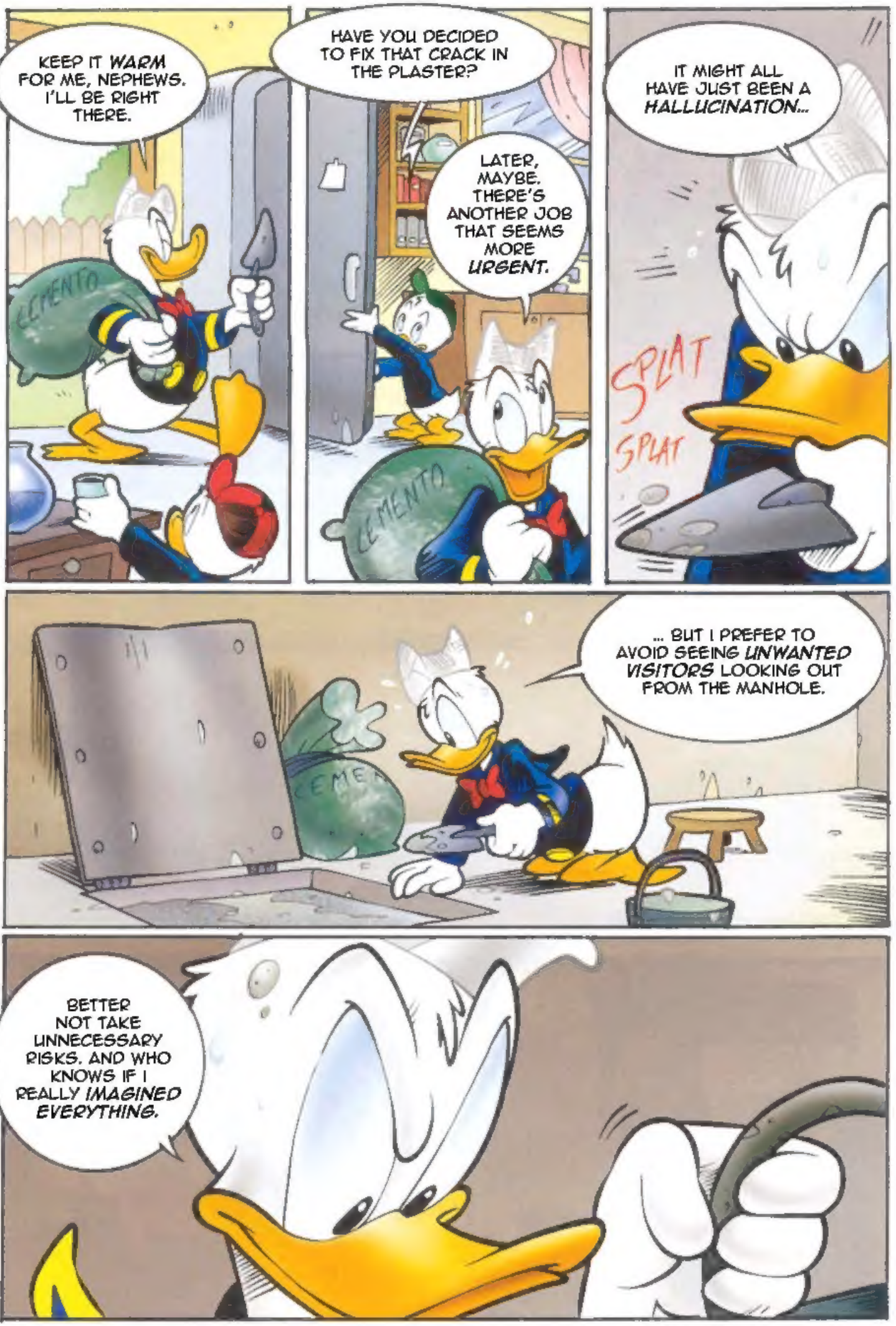
BUT FORTUNATELY I'M *IMMUNE* TO *BIOLOGICAL PANIC*, OR I WOULDN'T HAVE BEEN ABLE TO *ACT*.
*LYLA!* YOU SAVED US!
REMEMBER THAT. YOU OWE ME YOUR FEATHERS... AND AN *EXPLANATION*.
EVEN IF IT WOULD BE BETTER TO POSTPONE IT. ARE YOU CAPABLE OF *WALKING?*
I THINK SO.
THEN HURRY UP AND *RUN*, BEFORE THE OTHERS GET BACK UP.
I DON'T KNOW THE REASON FOR WHY YOU WOULD DO THIS TO ME, AVENGER...
... BUT I WON'T ALLOW YOU TO *TRY AGAIN!*

AGAIN? I'M TOO BATTERED TO CONFRONT SUCH AN ARSENAL!
TAKING THE ELEVATOR IS OUT OF THE QUESTION, I'D SAY!
BETTER USE THE EMERGENCY EXIT!
I HOPE THE BELT'S POWER ROCKETS STILL WORK.
CLIK
THANK YOU, MISS LAY. TO SHOW MY GRATITUDE, I WON'T ASK ANY QUESTIONS.

AT LEAST FOR NOW!
A GENIUS! CAMERA 9 IS A REAL GENIUS.
ONLY A GENIUS COULD THINK OF LEAVING THE CAMERA AT AUTOMATIC.
ALL OTHER CAMERAMEN WERE TOO DISTRAUGHT TO FILM.
CONGRATULATIONS. THAT OLD INTUITION STILL WORKS, EH?
OO NEWS IS THEREFORE THE ONLY NEWSCAST THAT CAN AIR THE IMAGES OF THE DISASTER AT THE PRESS CONFERENCE.
YOU READY, FANGUS? YOU'RE ON THE AIR IN FOUR MINUTES.


COMING! I'M ONLY MISSING AN OPENING TITLE, I'M UNSURE...
A CLASSIC, LIKE "THE MASKED MENACE FINALLY SHOWS HIS ATTENTION TO AN IMPORTANT FINANCIAL EVENT"?
OR PURSUE NEW INTERESTS WITH "EVERETT DUCKLAIR IS A PUBLIC DANGER: SO STATES ALSO THE AVENGER"?
FOR BOTH THE SUBTITLE WILL STILL BE "AND A POOR, OLD JOURNALIST EXPLODES WITH JOY".
YOU SHOULD INSTEAD BURN WITH SHAME, ANGUS!
HOW CAN YOU BE SO HAPPY? THE SITUATION WAS REALLY DRAMATIC!

I CAN GUARANTEE THAT, YOU KNOW? I WAS THERE.
PFFT! YOU WERE, BUT YOU'RE A REAL SOFTIE.
NOTHING HAPPENED IN THE END. THE DAMAGES TO DUCKLAIR TOWER ARE ALREADY BEING REPAIRED.
AS FOR THE DEAR INVITED COLLEAGUES AT THE CONFERENCE...
... THEY GOT OUT OF IT SIMPLY WITH A LITTLE FEAR! GYEH GYEH!
TO THE TABLE, LINCA DONALD. LUNCH IS READY.


KEEP IT WARM FOR ME, NEPHEWS. I'LL BE RIGHT THERE.
HAVE YOU DECIDED TO FIX THAT CRACK IN THE PLASTER?
LATER, MAYBE. THERE'S ANOTHER JOB THAT SEEMS MORE URGENT.
IT MIGHT ALL HAVE JUST BEEN A HALLUCINATION...
SPLAT
SPLAT
... BUT I PREFER TO AVOID SEEING UNWANTED VISITORS LOOKING OUT FROM THE MANHOLE.
BETTER NOT TAKE UNNECESSARY RISKS. AND WHO KNOWS IF I REALLY IMAGINED EVERYTHING.

DESPITE EVERYTHING, I CAN'T PUT ASIDE THE SUSPICION...
"... THAT EVERETT..."
"... REALLY IS..."
"... PROFUNDA!"
FINE